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- 11. (SBU) The following is Embassy The Hague's response to reftel request regarding the Netherlands' market access commitments under the WTO GPA. Post provided this information via email to DOC country desk officer David de Falco on October 22, 2004.
- 12. (SBU) The following is a list of additional government entities that conduct procurements that may be of interest to U.S. suppliers. These entities are not currently listed in the GPA:

List of Ministries and Central Governmental Bodies

- Ministry of General Affairs: Central Policy and Staff Departments.
- Ministry of the Interior: Central Policy and Staff Departments, General Intelligence and Security Service, Personnel Records and Travel Documents Agency, and Information and Communication Technology Organization.
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Directorate-General for Regional Policy and Consular Affairs, Directorate-General for Political Affairs, Directorate-General for International Cooperation, Directorate-General for European Cooperation, support services falling under the Secretary-General and Deputy Secretary-General, and various foreign missions.
- Ministry of Defense: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Defense Infrastructure Agency (Central Directorate), Defense Infrastructure Agency (Regional Directorates), Royal Netherlands Army National Supply Agency, Logistic Center Royal Netherlands Air Force, and Royal Netherlands Navy (Maintenance Establishment).
- Ministry of Economic Affairs: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Netherlands Competition Authority, Netherlands Foreign Trade Agency, Agency for Energy and Environment, and Telecom Agency.
- Ministry of Finance: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Tax and Customs Administration, and State Property Service.
- Ministry of Justice: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Netherlands Forensic Institute, and Judicial Management and Advisory Board.
- Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Regional Policy Departments, and Levies Office (Agency).
- Ministry of Education, Culture and Science: Central Policy and Staff Departments, Inspectorate of Cultural Heritage, National Archives, Council for Culture, and National Service for Archaeological Heritage.
- Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment: Central Policy and Staff Departments.
- Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management: Central Policy and Staff Departments.
- Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment: Central Policy and Staff Departments and Inspectorate.
- Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports: Central Policy and Staff Departments.

List of Bodies Governed by Public Law

(These entities are governed by public law and are not included in the above list)

- Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations: ICTU
- Ministry of Economic Affairs: Syntens, NMI van Swinden Laboratory, NMI Institute for Metrology and Technology, Netherlands Agency for Aerospace Programs, Netherlands Board of Tourism, Cooperative Body of the provincial governments of the Northern Netherlands, Gelderland Development Company, OOM International Business Development, LIOF Limburg Investment Development Company, NOM Investment Development, Noord Brabant Development Agency, and Independent Post and Telecommunication Authority.
- Ministry of Finance: The Dutch Central Bank, The Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets, and The Pensions and Insurance Supervisory Authority of the Netherlands.
- Ministry of Justice: Dutch Rehabilitation Agency, VEDIVO Agency (Association for Managers in the Family Guardianship), Guardianship and Family Guardianship Institutions, Dutch Halt (the alternative) Agency, Private Boarding Institution, Penal Institution for Juvenile Offenders, Damages Fund for Violent Crimes, Agency for the Reception of Asylum Seekers, National Collection of Support and Maintenance Agency, National Victim Compensation Organization, Dutch Data Protection Authority, Administration of Justice Study Center Agency, Legal Assistance Councils, Asylum Seekers Legal Advice Center, Legal Assistance Agencies, National Bureau against Racial Discrimination, Clara Wichmaan Institute, and Interpret Centers.
- Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries: Land Management Service, Fauna Fund, National Forest Service, Netherlands Bureau for Food and Nutrition Education, Wageningen University and Research Center, and Commodity Boards.
- Ministry of Education, Culture and Science: No list is available at this time.
- Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment: Social Insurance Bank, Employment Service, Foundation for Former Miners suffering from Silicoses, Pensions and Insurance Supervisory Authority of the Netherlands, Social and Economic Council in the Netherlands, Council for Work and Income, Central Organization for Work and Income, and Implementing Body for Employee Insurance Schemes.
- Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management: Vehicle Information and Administrative Service, Air Traffic Control Agency, Dutch Maritime Pilots Association, and Regional Maritime Pilots Association.
- Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and Environment: Cadastre and Public Registers Agency, Central Housing Fund, and Architects Register.
- Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport: General Commission for War Casualties in Indonesia, Medicines Evaluation Board Agency, National Board for Redevelopment of Hospital Facilities, Health Research and Development Council, KEMA/TNO Certification, National Board for Hospital Facilities, Health Care Insurance Board, National May 4 and 5 Committee, Pension and Benefit Board, Health Service Tariff Tribunal, Foundation for the Advancement of Public Health and Environment, Sanquin Blood Supply Foundation, Supervisory Board of Health Care Insurance Committees for Registration of Professional Health Care Practices, Health Insurance Funds, Dutch Transportation Foundation, and Regional Bodies for Need Assessment.
- 13. (SBU) Regarding services, post has reviewed the list covered by the EC and believes that all uncovered services could be of interest to U.S. firms and could be put on the table for discussion.
- ¶4. (SBU) Regarding goods, all the exclusions listed (water, airports, urban transport, and dredging/shipbuilding) could be of interest to U.S. firms.
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